

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 355

By Hensley

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Marann Mann upon being named the Lewis County High School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially recognize and commend our superlative educators who have given unreservedly of themselves to develop this state's most precious natural resource - our children; and

WHEREAS, one such extraordinary educator is Marann Mann, who was recently selected as the Teacher of the Year of Lewis County High School; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mann received her bachelor's degree in Biology and General Business in 1967 and, later, obtained a master's degree in Business Education from Murray State University in 1972; continuing her education, she has received further AP Biology training as well; and

WHEREAS, she began her distinguished teaching career at Carlisle County Middle School in Kentucky, and has taught in Memphis, Morristown, San Antonio, and Johnson City; and

WHEREAS, the good people at Lewis County High School have recognized and appreciated Ms. Mann's excellence as an educator and role model for young people since she began teaching there; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that school is at the heart of the community she serves, Ms. Mann teaches her students several principals and character values that they will need to succeed in life; and

WHEREAS, Marann Mann is an extremely talented and giving person who motivates her students to reach their full potential, perhaps the greatest of all teaching gifts; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her teaching, Ms. Mann still finds time to lend her amazing talents to the school and community in numerous capacities; volunteering for several leadership roles, she has served as Head of the Science Department, SACS Chairman component number three, Cub Scout den mother, volunteered at Townes Acre School in Johnson City, and assisted with the Education Foundation 5K run in 2005 and 2006; and

WHEREAS, she also holds membership in several scholastic and civic organizations including the Christian Educators Association International, the Pilot Club, the High School Basketball Booster Club, and the High School Anchor Club; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mann epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean and inspires all of us to imagine a better future by encouraging excellence in her students; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded as a professional and friend, Marann Mann is the perfect example of a person totally committed to quality education and the highest ideals of public service and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Marann Mann upon being named Teacher of the Year by Lewis County High School, applaud her for her meritorious service to the state of Tennessee, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.